Dear Sir and Madam,

I am living in Canada, I hope you understand our frustration regarding Comfort women issue, one sided opinion.

School textbook should not be propaganda advertisement.

In California, Japanese kids were bullied by others at school, because of this comfort women issue and Nanking story.

No forcible recruitment was done by Japanese government or Military.

But some of the Korean private broker deceived women according to the many news articles at that time.

A \$30 million US Government Study specifically searched for evidence on Comfort Women allegations.

If you have time please read the attached copy of document (US office of war information total 7 pages).

In 1945, under US occupation, in Japan, War Guilt Information was implemented in media, and academia groups.

They banned lots of books, controlled broadcasting, news paper and publishing books.

Comfort women issue was started by Mr. Seiji Yoshida's book published in 1977.

Prior to that time there was no topics regarding "慰安婦 pronounce as ianfu" translated as comfort women.

The Asahi newspaper published in 1982 Sep.22 based on Mr. Yoshida's story

The contents were re-examined in 1989 Aug.4th in Korea by Korean newspaper writer asking the residents where Mr. Yoshida took 15 women.

They concluded no such things happened.

In 1995, Mr. Yoshida admitted the story was a fiction not the fact and from 1998 he kept silence.

He said as follows in magazine published in 1996 May 29th. (I tried to translate, please ask someone who is fluent in Japanese)

"There is no benefit to write the truth in book. I do not want make any trouble to some people so I camouflage some parts.

Even Newspaper hide the fact and write their opinion, so I did. So I cannot help there are some disagreed part form the real fact.

まあ、本に真実を書いても何の利益もない。関係者に迷惑をかけてはまずいから、カムフラージュした部分もある。事実を隠し、自分の主張を混ぜて書くなんていうのは、新聞だってやることじゃありませんか。チグハグな部分があってもしようがない。- 週刊新潮1996年5月2/9号

He passed away in 2007 July.

In 2014 Sep.14, The Asahi Newspaper published 18 corrections regarding the report based on Mr. Yoshida's book and comments

News media is always searching for something dramatic for their headlines.

Therefore, please investigate not only for the Korean or pro-Korean Japanese opinion but for the real fact.

Also please not to lable us as revisionist, we want to clear this issue started on one book, but based on the fact such as newspapers published during that time.

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"Comfort Women, "a euphemism for sexual slaves, were taken by the Japanese Army in occupied territories before and during the war. "Comfort Women" can be taught as an example of institutionalized sexual slavery, and one of the largest cased of human trafficking in the twentieth century; estimates on the total number of comfort women vary, but most argue that hundreds of thousands of women were forced into these situations during Japanese occupation.

Please change to

"Comfort Women, "a euphemism for well payed prostitutes were advertised in Japanese and Korean newspaper (may be Taiwan), to work for Japanese Army in occupied territories before and during the war. Comfort women were looked after Japanese army to prevent sexually transmitted disease. Their terms (usually 3-4 years) were set by their job description, and transportation to go home was carried out by Japanese Army.

Sex slave or slavery was first used instead of comfort women in 1992 by Japanese lawyer. In Japan, there are few people who want to demean Japan or Japanese, connected with Korean or Chinese influencial groups.

After investigating this issue as a Japanese, I realized. This was amazing this comfort women issue started by one book, even the author admitted this was his opinionated story. This story was spread by Japanese newspaper and Korean in 80's, lots of Japanese were not interested in. Because they know that was not true.

However, Korean government and some influential group work hard to spread this all over the world. Even UN took some action based on his story.

The fabricated history is spreading, we cannot miss damaged our ancestors' honor, and we want you to know the fact what the real history is.

Thank you very much for taking time to read my comments.

Yours sincerely,

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